State of Michigan State Board of Education

RESOLUTION

Michigan School Principal's Week February 11-15, 2008

WHEREAS, excellence in Michigan classrooms has a direct correlation with the excellence of the school principal; and

WHEREAS teaching and leading in the 21st Century is faced with many new and unique challenges that will require the creative, effective leadership of school principals; and

WHEREAS school principals are a critical link for understanding between the community, school district leaders, parents, and classroom teachers they supervise; and

WHEREAS, the school principal is responsible for meeting the high standards of State Board of Education accreditation through "Education Yes!" as well as No Child Left Behind; and

WHEREAS, the school principal provides the leadership for the ever increasing achievement of the students that enables the school to reach Adequate Yearly Progress; and

WHEREAS, the school principal assists the parents, community and teachers in their celebration of student excellence and success; and

WHEREAS, the expectations for principal leadership within schools have increased greatly in the past decade, including quality and accountability for all children; and

WHEREAS, energetic and inspiring school leadership is essential if schools, teachers, students, and support staff are to achieve excellence in meeting the needs of the future; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Michigan School Principal's Week is to raise awareness of the importance of educational leadership in the school and the valuable contribution of the school principal to the success of the learning community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education support Michigan School Principal's Week, and encourage each school and community to appropriately recognize their principal during the week of February 11-15, 2008, and the vital role the principal plays in the success of all students.



Kathleen N. Straus, President

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Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman and Superintendent of Public Instruction